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Districts of Colorado and Wyoming

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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT INVESTIGATOR (SOCIAL WORKER) – CASPER, WYOMING

The Office of the Federal Public Defender for the Districts of Colorado and Wyoming seeks a full-time Social Worker to join our Casper office. We operate under authority of the Criminal Justice Act (18 U.S.C. § 3006A) to represent individuals unable to afford counsel and prosecuted in our federal courts. Our office is committed to serving the distinct needs of these individuals with a diverse group of dedicated professionals who collaborate with, listen to, and advocate on behalf of one another. We welcome and value individuals of any race, color, religion, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, disability, age, veteran status, and other status protected by law. Click here for more information about us.

Job Description: The social worker collaborates with our attorneys and investigators to provide support services to our clients at all stages of their case. Responsibilities include building relationships with local detention facilities, pretrial services, probation, and treatment providers; connecting clients to treatment providers, housing options, and job opportunities; assessing and compiling psychosocial histories for care in detention, release, treatment options, conditions of probation, sentencing, and post-sentencing options; and collaborating with re-entry court to support client success and program goals. The District of Wyoming includes the Wind River Indian Reservation. This position will require frequent travel to Wind River.

Requirements: Applicants must have 1) a master's degree in social work (MSW) from an accredited college or university; 2) three years of general office experience; and 3) five years of relevant specialized experience, e.g., knowledge of community-based rehabilitation programs and needs assessments; fluency in computer use and demonstrative media tools, e.g., PowerPoint and CaseMap. This position requires use of fundamental theories of psychosocial variables to identify physical or mental health impairments, substance abuse, family or other history impacting behavior and development. Training or expertise in indigenous cultures is preferred but not required.

Applicants must be United States citizens or eligible to work in the United States. Employment is subject to a satisfactory background investigation, including an FBI name and fingerprint check, and an IRS tax check.

Salary and Benefits: This is an "Excepted Appointment" full-time position with federal benefits and salary commensurate with experience and qualifications within the range of JSP Grade 13 (\$103,409 - \$134,435) and JSP Grade 14 (\$122,198 - \$158,860). Among the many benefits are the Federal Employees Retirement System, the Thrift Savings Plan (401k), paid annual and sick leave, 11 paid federal holidays, and health, life, disability, long-term care, dental, and vision insurance.

How to Apply: Qualified individuals should submit a letter of interest and resume to Veronica Knights, Personnel Administrator, at employment@cofpd.org. Subject reference should be Investigator (Social Worker) – Casper. **No phones calls, please.**

Position posted on January 22, 2024—Open until filled.

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